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SUBJECT: Movement of North Korean Political Prisoners to the Soviet Union. CORAK # J-1720
5 January 1953

SOURCE: Agent from an inhabitant of the area

DATE OF INFORMATION: Mid-September 1952 to early October 1952 EVALUATION: C

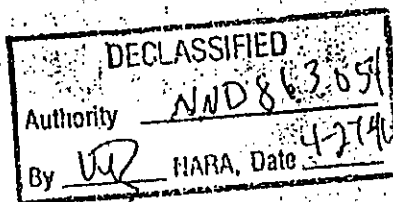
1. By order of the General Labor Party, an estimated 20,000 prisoners, convicted for political crimes against the North Korean government, were moved from various prisons in North Korea to UN-GI (FB1508) in mid-September 1952. In early October, these prisoners were sent to the UNALU Electric Power station in the Soviet Union as laborers.

2. The group of prisoners included an unknown number of civilians who were kidnapped in South Korea during the North Korean occupation and an estimated 5,000 ROX POW's. - 6,000 -

CCRAK Comment: There have been no reports of any POW, ROX or UN, having to Russia for nearly two years, with the exception of General Bean who was reported in MOSCOW late 50 and early 51. Very early in the war both UN and ROX POW were reported sent to Russia via HONGKONG (FB6298). It is possible this practice has been resumed.

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SUBJECT: CCF Military Conference concerning the Far East Situation

CCRAI # M-101
24 February 1953

SOURCE: ROK (CHI)

DATE OF INFORMATION: October - 22 December 1952

EVALUATION: F

Following information was received from Ministry of Foreign Affairs, ROK Government. Report originally came from Nationalist Chinese Embassy.

1. Russia has established a Higher Informant Training Team at URM, HODASONG (Phonetic) in Siberia in October 1952 and is conducting training of communist agents for use in Far East countries. 500 persons are receiving training, one third of them women. Japanese constitute the largest group and the others are Korean, Filipinos, Burmese and American. Mao Tse Tung held a military conference at Westmount, Peiping on 10 December 1952. More than 80 leading military officers were present. Mao reported on the military situation and all members agreed that the following was the outlook:

- a. The Korean war will remain as is until Spring and then will expand.
- b. If the war is expanded, the Nationalist Chinese will attack Southern China by landings from Formosa.
- c. Manchuria, Southern China and Western China will be bombed heavily.
- d. The entire Chinese coast will be blockaded.

To counteract these possibilities, the Manchuria area will be defended with Russian help. In North and East China, all people will be mobilized and armed. After these people are indoctrinated into the National Defense Forces, they will be used to counterattack Nationalist landings.

Tactics were further discussed at the meeting. Since October, owing to the increase in action on the frontlines, there have been many casualties among the CCF. The trains from Peiping and Hankow are all occupied by wounded soldiers. On 11th December, it was reported that over 600 wounded were transported to Hankow.

Among these were many permanently disabled soldiers but these were not allowed to return to their homes. On 14 December, 12 Russian aircraft appeared over Peiping and dropped leaflets proclaiming the friendship that exists between the Chinese and Russian people. This was the first time that Russian aircraft have appeared openly before the Chinese people. It is reported that CCF planes are due to fly to Moscow for a return call soon.

2. According to reliable information, the CCF has transferred UN PWs to Russia in violation of the Geneva Conference. These PWs will be especially trained at Moscow for espionage work. PWs transferred to Moscow are grouped as follows: British 5, Americans 10, Canadians 3, and 50 more from various countries.

3. The Communist International Asian Intelligence Bureau recently aided a Mobilization Committee. Lee Yoo Han, now Chief of the Chinese Communist Unification Front, will be chairman of the new committee. He has announced an emergency declaration concerning mobilization as follows:

- a. Party members from each area must be ready to join the armed forces.
- b. Those people who have extra jobs other than acting as Party members must abandon this extra work.
- c. Party members must be ready to

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